

Amendments to the Claims:**Claim 1 (Original):**

A composition comprising:

approximately 7 to 10 times the RDA of vitamin C;
approximately 13 to 18 times the RDA of vitamin E;
approximately 6 to 10 times the RDA of vitamin A in the
form of beta-carotene;
approximately 4 to 7 times the RDA of zinc; and
approximately the RDA of copper.

Claim 2 (Original):

A retinal health strengthening composition

comprising

approximately 7 to 10 times the RDA of vitamin C;
approximately 13 to 18 times the RDA of vitamin E;
approximately 6 to 10 times the RDA of vitamin A in the form
of beta-carotene;
approximately 4 to 7 times the RDA of zinc; and
approximately the RDA of copper.

Claims 3-5 (Cancelled)

Claim 6 (Original): A method of manufacturing a composition comprising:

blending not less than approximately 420 mg and not more than approximately 600 mg vitamin C, not less than approximately 400 IU and not more than approximately 540 IU vitamin E, not less than approximately 17.2 mg and not more than approximately 28 mg beta-carotene, not less than approximately 60 mg and not more than approximately 100 mg zinc and not less than approximately 1.6 mg and not more than approximately 2.4 mg copper into a suitable dosage form.

Claim 7 (Currently amended): The composition of claim 1, 2 or 3, wherein said composition comprises not less than approximately 450 mg vitamin C, not less than approximately 400 IU vitamin E, not less than approximately 17.2 mg beta-carotene, not less than approximately 68 mg zinc and not less than approximately 1.6 mg copper.

Claim 8 (Currently amended): The composition of claim 1, 2 or 3, wherein said vitamin C is provided in the form of ascorbic acid.

Claim 9 (Currently amended): The composition of claim 1, 2 or 3 2 wherein said vitamin E is provided in the form of dl-alpha tocopheryl acetate.

Claim 10 (Cancelled)

Claim 11 (Currently amended): The composition of claim 1, 2 or 3 2 wherein said composition is supplemented with alpha-lipoic acid, phenolic compounds, anthocyanosides or a combination thereof.

Claim 12 (Currently amended): The composition of claim 1, 2 or 3 2 wherein said zinc is provided in the form of zinc oxide, zinc gluconate or a combination thereof.

Claim 13 (Currently amended): The composition of claim 1, 2 or 3 2 wherein said copper is provided in the form of cupric oxide, copper gluconate or a combination thereof.

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Claim 14 (Currently amended): The method of claim ~~5~~ or 6 wherein said blend provides not less than approximately 450 mg vitamin C, not less than approximately 400 IU vitamin E, not less than approximately 17.2 mg beta-carotene, not less than approximately 68 mg zinc, and not less than approximately 1.6 mg copper.

Claim 15 (Currently amended): The method of claim 4, ~~5~~ or 6 wherein said vitamin C is provided in the form of ascorbic acid.

Claim 16 (Currently amended): The method of claim 4, ~~5~~ or 6 wherein said vitamin E is provided in the form of dl-alpha tocopheryl acetate.

Claim 17 (Cancelled)

Claim 18 (Currently amended): The method of claim 4, ~~5~~ or 6 wherein said composition is supplemented with alpha-lipoic acid, phenolic compounds, anthocyanosides or a combination thereof.

Claim 19 (Currently amended): The method of claim 4, ~~5 or~~ 6 wherein said zinc is provided in the form of zinc oxide, zinc gluconate or a combination thereof.

Claim 20 (Currently amended): The method of claim 4, ~~5 or~~ 6 wherein said copper is provided in the form of copper oxide, copper gluconate or a combination thereof.

Claim 21 (Currently amended): The composition of claim 1, ~~2 or~~ 3 2 wherein said composition is formed into one or more tablets for daily oral ingestion by a human.

Claim 22 (Currently amended): The composition of claim 1, ~~2 or~~ 3 2 wherein said composition is formed into four tablets for oral ingestion by a patient of two tablets twice daily.

Claim 23 (Cancelled)

Claim 24 (Cancelled)

Claim 25 (Currently amended): The method of claim 5 or 6 wherein said composition is compressed in the form of two tablets taken twice daily.

Claim 26 (Re-presented – formerly dependent claim # 10):

A composition comprising:

approximately 7 to 10 times the RDA of vitamin C;
approximately 13 to 18 times the RDA of vitamin E;
approximately 6 to 10 times the RDA of vitamin A in the form of beta-carotene, substituted or supplemented with lutein, zeaxanthine or a raw material combination thereof;
approximately 4 to 7 times the RDA of zinc; and
approximately the RDA of copper.

Claim 27 (Re-presented – formerly dependent claim # 10):

A retinal health strengthening composition comprising:

approximately 7 to 10 times the RDA of vitamin C;
approximately 13 to 18 times the RDA of vitamin E;
approximately 6 to 10 times the RDA of vitamin A in the form of beta-carotene, substituted or supplemented with lutein,

zeaxanthine or a raw material combination thereof;
approximately 4 to 7 times the RDA of zinc; and
approximately the RDA of copper.

Claim 28 (Re-presented – formerly dependent claim # 17):

A method of manufacturing a composition comprising:

blending not less than approximately 420 mg and not more
than approximately 600 mg vitamin C, not less than
approximately 400 IU and not more than approximately 540
IU vitamin E, not less than approximately 17.2 mg; and not
more than approximately 28 mg beta-carotene substituted or
supplemented with lutein, zeaxanthine, or a raw material
combination thereof, not less than approximately 60 mg and
not more than approximately 100 mg zinc and not less than
approximately 1.6 mg and not more than approximately 2.4
mg copper into a suitable dosage form.